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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This response addresses the Office Action mailed June 30, 2003. In the Office Action, the Examiner requested restriction to the claims in one of three groups. Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I, claims 1-28 and 47-51.

The Examiner is encouraged to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if such contact would be helpful in any way.

Respectfully submitted,

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